



Shenandoah Overlook



Celebrating the Past— Anticipating the Future!

We seek to pass on to our children a richer land—a stronger nation. I, therefore, dedicate Shenandoah National Park to this and to succeeding generations of Americans for the recreation and for the re-creation which we shall find here.

—President Franklin D. Roosevelt, July 3, 1936

1936...

The summer of 1936 was an exciting one for the newly established Shenandoah National Park. The President, Franklin D. Roosevelt, had announced that he would make the dedication speech in July. The boys of the Civilian Conservation Corps were scrambling to build trails and landscape Skyline Drive. The first rangers came on duty, and James R. Lassiter became the first Superintendent. The Resettlement Administration appropriated funds to build houses for displaced residents. And all the while, visitors poured into their new park—nearly 700,000 in 1936, well on the way to the record breaking (for any national park) one million the next year.

2011...

Fast-forward 75 years—the summer of 2011 is an exciting one for Shenandoah as well! We are celebrating 75 years of commitment and rededicating ourselves to the next 75 years of stewardship for the generations to come. Preservation has taken on new meaning in the decades since Roosevelt dedicated Shenandoah “to this and to succeeding generations.” The partnerships we build today will be the key to the stewardship of the future, not just within Shenandoah’s boundaries, but across the nation. And the “succeeding generations” Roosevelt referred to? That’s you! So join us as we rededicate Shenandoah to YOU and look forward to a new “succeeding generation.”

For information about Shenandoah’s 75th Anniversary celebration, visit www.CelebrateShenandoah.org.



President Franklin Delano Roosevelt delivered Shenandoah National Park’s dedication speech from Big Meadows on July 3, 1936.



A member of the “succeeding generation” explores Shenandoah using Global Positioning System (GPS) technology.

Park Emergency Number
1-800-732-0911



**Skyline Drive Speed Limit
35 mph or as Posted!**

Leash Your Pet in the Park!

Pets are welcome in the park—if they do not disturb other visitors or the animals who call this park home.



To ensure this, **keep your pet on a six-foot lead at all times.** If you need a leash, you can find one in the bookstore section of the visitor centers.

Pets are not permitted on Ranger-led programs. In addition, to ensure your pet’s safety and the safety of others, pets are *not* permitted on the following trails:

- Fox Hollow Trail (mile 4.6)
- Traces Trail (mile 22.2)
- Stony Man Trail (mile 41.7)
- Limberlost Trail (mile 43)
- Dark Hollow Falls Trail (mile 50.7)
- Story of the Forest Trail (mile 51)
- Bearfence Rock Scramble (mile 56.4)
- Frazier Discovery Trail (mile 79.5)
- Old Rag Ridge Trail
- Old Rag Saddle Trail

Skyline Drive Work in Progress

As you travel Skyline Drive you may notice the results of work we’ve been doing on the road and at overlooks. You’ll see newly reconstructed stone walls and restored historic guiderails. Many of the overlooks have been refurbished, and if it gets foggy, you’ll be grateful for the newly painted road lines.

Work will continue this summer so you may encounter some delays where one-way traffic is necessary. A few of the overlooks will be closed while they get a face-lift and the campground roads will be paved. Delays will be as brief as possible and work will be suspended on the weekends in most cases.

Find Shenandoah Online

To learn more about Shenandoah, or to plan your next visit, visit our website: www.nps.gov/shen.



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PARK ACCESSIBILITY

Restrooms and Buildings
Most are accessible or accessible with assistance.

Lodging
Accessible overnight accommodations are available at Skyland Resort, Big Meadows Lodge, and Lewis Mountain. (800) 999-4714.

Picnic Grounds and Campgrounds
Accessible sites are available at all park picnic grounds and campgrounds. Accessible shower and laundry facilities are available at Big Meadows, Lewis Mountain, and Loft Mountain campgrounds. Restrooms at picnic grounds are accessible or accessible with assistance.

Information
Information or assistance may be obtained by telephoning the Virginia Relay Center at (800) 828-1120 (TDD) or (800) 828-1140 (Voice) or by writing to the park:
Shenandoah National Park
3655 US Hwy 211 East
Luray, VA 22835
(540) 999-3500
www.nps.gov/shen

From the Superintendent



Martha Bogle, Superintendent,
Shenandoah National Park

Welcome to Shenandoah National Park. We're excited that you're here during the park's 75th Anniversary. Along with our neighbors, we are celebrating the vision of the energetic people who answered the call to action that brought about Shenandoah's establishment.

The idea of a national park in the northern Blue Ridge was championed by a group of local businessmen who believed the park would benefit Virginia's economy while preserving the natural beauty of the area. So, the park's anniversary is also a celebration of our neighbors and their accomplishments. Look on page 4 for some of the great events that are going on in nearby communities. There are more events on the 75th Anniversary website: www.CelebrateShenandoah.org!

I hope you have a wonderful time enjoying your National Park. Nothing soothes the soul or excites the spirit quite like time spent in nature. Whether you hike deep into the forest or contemplate the view from an overlook, I hope that, as President Franklin D. Roosevelt said in his dedication speech, you will find "recreation and re-creation" in Shenandoah. And, I hope you will look forward, with me, to the next 75 years and beyond, as our generation answers the call to action to support our national parks and inspire the next generation of stewards.

75th Anniversary Limited Edition Giclée Print



Old Rag and the Piedmont was created by artist Kevin A. Adams in celebration of Shenandoah's 75th Anniversary. Shenandoah is a favorite subject of Adams' paintings and he is donating 100% of the proceeds of the sale of these signed and numbered prints to the park's anniversary celebration. Unframed limited edition prints are available at visitor centers and online at www.CelebrateShenandoah.org.

Get to Know Shenandoah's Partners

Behind every great park are some great partners and Shenandoah is no exception! The dedicated staff and volunteers of our partner organizations have contributed time, talent, and money to help Shenandoah fulfill its mission. Get to know our fantastic support team.



www.patc.net

The **Potomac Appalachian Trail Club** (PATC) was founded in 1927 even before the park was established. PATC volunteers built the stretch of the Appalachian Trail (AT) that runs through Shenandoah. The club's mission is to protect and maintain the AT and associated lands. With more AT than any other national park, Shenandoah's 101-mile stretch is a testament to this dedicated partner. PATC volunteers work thousands of hours each year to maintain Shenandoah's trail system and six overnight cabins, as well as shelters and huts. To learn more about this valued partner, visit the official PATC website.



www.snpbooks.org

If you stop by one of the park's visitor centers, you'll meet the **Shenandoah National Park Association** (SNPA) staff in the bookstore and you'll see firsthand that they are fulfilling their mission to increase understanding, appreciation, and stewardship of the park. The Association, founded in 1950, is headed by a volunteer board and managed by a small, very dedicated staff. They develop and sell items that will increase your appreciation and enjoyment of the park, using the profits to support the park's interpretation and educational programs. Become a member of SNPA and support the park while receiving great discounts.



www.snptrust.org

Established in 2004, the **Shenandoah National Park Trust** is the official non-profit community-building and fundraising partner for Shenandoah National Park. The Trust is dedicated to protecting our park's magnificent natural and cultural resources, enhancing your experience in Shenandoah, and building a community committed to enriching Shenandoah's future. The money the Trust raises has funded several important projects, including search and rescue equipment for Old Rag Mountain and the Ranger Explorer program. To learn more about how you can become involved, visit the Trust's official website.

Partners for Wildlife

2011 marks the 25th anniversary of a unique partnership between Shenandoah National Park and the Wildlife Center of Virginia (WCV), a non-profit wildlife hospital in Waynesboro, VA. The center places raptors on a permanent-loan basis for the park's popular "Birds of Prey" programs. WCV staff provide routine medical exams, beak and talon trimming, and acute care for these birds, all free of charge to the park. Over the years, the park's educational raptors have reached more than 100,000 visitors with a vital wildlife conservation message shared by both organizations. Learn more about WCV at www.wildlifecenter.org.



For the next live "Birds of Prey" program, check the schedule on page 8.

What’s Up with the Air?

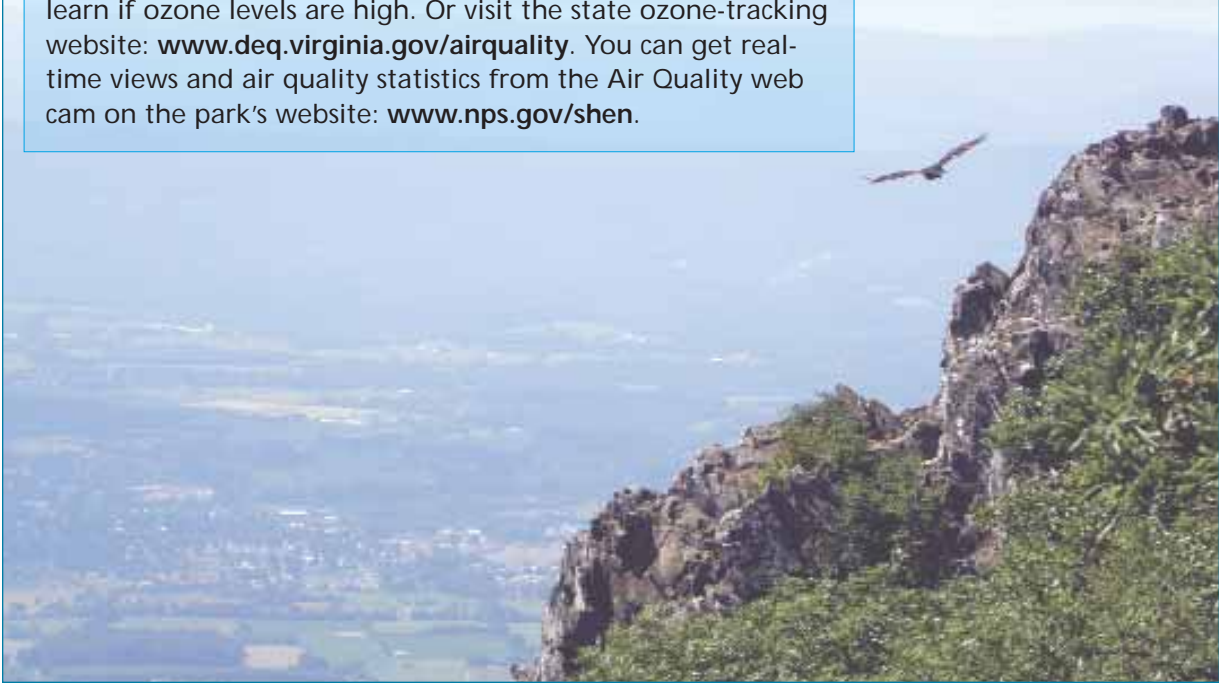
People often come to Shenandoah National Park for the fresh mountain air. We have lots of it! But sometimes there's an added component to the air that's not so good for us. That's ozone.

In the stratosphere, ozone is good: it is a colorless gas which shields the Earth from the sun's rays. But ground-level ozone is different: it is created in warm, sunny conditions by a chemical reaction between pollutants, many of which are created by the burning of fossil fuels such as coal and gasoline. Strong sunlight and hot weather can combine to cause harmful amounts of ozone to form. If concentrations are high (usually May-September), ground-level ozone threatens plants, animals, and humans. Some people may have respiratory problems when exercising strenuously.

We can all do something to help. Shenandoah has already replaced a number of gasoline-powered vehicles with hybrids, and we hope to change over to other alternative-fuel cars, trucks, golf carts, and lawn mowers. Our “to-do list” includes retro-fitting sensors and controls on heating/cooling systems to optimize energy consumption, replacing appliances with Energy Star-rated units, and installing a vertical wind turbine and photo-voltaic cells.

What can you do? Think about transportation options that could reduce the number of trips you make in your car. Programmable thermostats and replacing large appliances with Energy Star-rated ones can help, too.

Ozone advisories are posted in the park when high levels are detected. Call the park at (540) 999-3500 (May-September) to learn if ozone levels are high. Or visit the state ozone-tracking website: www.deq.virginia.gov/airquality. You can get real-time views and air quality statistics from the Air Quality web cam on the park’s website: www.nps.gov/shen.



Please Don’t Feed the Animals!



When animals associate humans with food they lose their fear and seek out people.

- This makes them more susceptible to being hit by cars or killed by poachers.
- They are more likely to raid campsites and destroy property.
- They become dangerous and must be relocated or destroyed.

This is why there are regulations for storing food properly and fines for feeding wildlife. **Nothing good** can come of ignoring food storage and wildlife feeding regulations!

Ticks – What You Need to Know



Deer Tick



Dog Tick



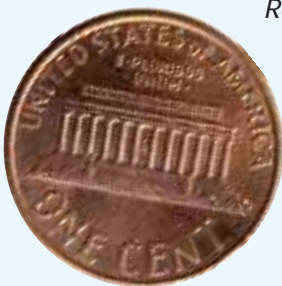
Lone Star Tick

Several species of ticks are common in Shenandoah and there is a risk of tick-borne diseases if one bites you. It is important to take precautions and to be aware of the risks.

When you are in tick habitat:

- Wear light colored clothing, long sleeves, and long pants with pants' legs tucked into socks.
- Do frequent tick checks of yourself, children, and pets. Always check for ticks after any outdoor activities.
- Some insect repellents can be effective against ticks, but they should be used with caution.

If you find a tick attached to you, remove the tick and clean the bite site. If you become ill after a tick bite, even weeks later, see a health care provider. Some species of ticks are so small that you may never see them, so if you become ill after visiting an area where ticks are common, you should inform your health care provider of the possibility of a tick-borne disease.



Remember—deer ticks are hard to see. They are about the size of a pinhead!



>> More information at www.cdc.gov (search “tick-borne illness”) <<

Living Green

“Reduce, reuse, recycle” — Often called “The 3 R’s,” this short motto sums up a few simple things we can all do to “live green” and lessen our impact on the earth today and in the years to come.

How can you “live green” when are you on vacation? In the park there are places for you to recycle, reduce, and reuse.

To **recycle**, continue to use the bins provided for glass, plastic, and aluminum in the park campgrounds, lodges, and visitor centers.

To **reduce**, take only **one** copy of this guide, park brochures, and maps.

To **reuse** or **recycle** this guide, park brochures, and maps, bring your used copies to a ranger at a visitor center or entrance station. The material will be reused by other park visitors or, if worn out, will be recycled.



Leave No Trace!

Ensuring that future generations can enjoy Shenandoah National Park is everyone's responsibility. Follow the Leave No Trace guidelines to help take care of Shenandoah. Learn more at www.LNT.org.

1. Plan Ahead and Prepare
2. Travel and Camp on Durable Surfaces
3. Dispose of Waste Properly
4. Leave What You Find
5. Minimize Campfire Impacts
6. Respect Wildlife
7. Be Considerate of Other Visitors



Events and Activities

Local communities and organizations have joined us in celebrating Shenandoah’s 75th Anniversary.

Date	Event Name	Location	Description	Contact
May 27, 28	14th Annual Memorial Day Festival and Parade	Town of Shenandoah	The Town of Shenandoah honors veterans with tributes and fun for all!	www.TownOfShenandoah.com 540-652-8164
June 12, 28; July 10, 26, August 14, 23; September 27	Tea with the First Ladies: Lou Hoover & Eleanor Roosevelt	Big Meadows Lodge, mile 51.2 on Skyline Drive	Tea, desserts, and stories about Lou Hoover and Eleanor Roosevelt.	www.visitshenandoah.com 800-999-4714
June 2 4:00-8:30 p.m.	CulpeperFest 2011	Germanna Daniel Technology Center, Culpeper	See the products and services available in the Culpeper community.	www.culpeperfest.com 540-825-8628
June 2-4	Graves Mountain Festival of Music	Graves Mountain Lodge, Syria	Great food, great Bluegrass, great setting!	www.gravesmountain.com 540-923-4231
June 4	Clean the Bay Day-Town of Shenandoah River Clean Up	Town of Shenandoah Landing & River Park	Help save the Bay with a river litter clean up!	www.TownOfShenandoah.com 540-652-9934
June 4 9:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.	Court & Market Days Festival	Turner Pavilion & Park, Downtown Harrisonburg	History and heritage festival recreating the 1850s and 60s.	www.downtownharrisonburg.org 540-432-8922
June 12	Borrowed Views	Skyline Drive Overlooks	Explore the park’s viewsheds’ preservation with the Piedmont Environmental Council, Shenandoah Valley Network, and Shenandoah Valley Battlefields Foundation.	www.pecva.org 540-347-2334 x 29
June 16	Culpeper Downtown 3rd-Thursday Summer Concert Series by Culpeper Renaissance	The Depot in Downtown Culpeper	Enjoy friends, food, fun, and great oldies and classic rock with The Fabulous Hubcaps.	www.culpeperdowntown.com 540-825-4416
June 18	Summerfest Barnyard Spectacle	Skyland Resort (lower level), mile 41.7 on Skyline Drive	Historic fun! Cakewalks, old-fashioned games, live music, food, and fun for all ages.	www.visitshenandoah.com 800-999-4714
June 22, 25, 26 7:00 p.m.	Luray Wranglers Baseball	Luray	Collegiate wood bat baseball league.	www.luraywranglers.com 540-743-1420
June 24, July 22, August 19, September 16	Night Skies	Big Meadows area, mile 51.2 on Skyline Drive	Discover America’s vanishing night skies in Shenandoah.	www.visitshenandoah.com 800-999-4714
June 25	75th Anniversary Rededication of Shenandoah National Park	Big Meadows, Milepost 51 on Skyline Drive	A day-long celebration with special activities.	www.CelebrateShenandoah.org 540-999-3500
June 25	Shenandoah 75th Anniversary Front Royal Area Artists	Sun Studio, Front Royal	Enjoy food, music, and artwork by local artists highlighting the flora, fauna, and rich history of the park.	540-636-6511
July 2-4	Oak Leaf Bluegrass & Mountain Music Festival	Luray Caverns, Luray	A celebration of the 50th Anniversary of the first bluegrass festival.	www.shenandoahmusictrail.com 540-209-3540
July 4 (rain date July 5)	Rappahannock County 4th of July Celebration	Sperryville	Old-fashioned family celebration with hot air balloon rides, rock climbing walls, and fireworks.	www.sperryvillefire.com
July 4	Valley 4th	Court Square, Downtown Harrisonburg	Independence Day celebration with parade, concerts, and fireworks.	www.downtownharrisonburg.org 540-432-8922
July 4	Culpeper Renaissance 4th of July Car & Bike Show	Downtown Culpeper	Family friendly entertainment showcasing America’s love of cars and motorcycles.	www.culpeperdowntown.com 540-825-4416
July 4 4:00 p.m.	Graves Mountain Lodge July 4th Celebration	Graves Mountain Lodge, Syria	Food, fun, fireworks, children’s activities, and music.	www.gravesmountain.com 540-923-4231
July 16	Blackberry Delight	Big Meadows Wayside, Mile 51.2 on Skyline Drive	Stop by to taste blackberry delicacies and enjoy live music, cloggers, and more.	www.visitshenandoah.com 800-999-4714
August 5 5:30-7:30 p.m.	Views of Shenandoah	Charlottesville Community Design Center, Charlottesville	See the entries and winners of Charlottesville/Albemarle’s “Views of Shenandoah” photo contest.	www.snptrust.org
August 20, 2011	Backyard Barbecue and S’mores	Skyland Resort (lower level), mile 41.7 on Skyline Drive	Sample delicious regional food and enjoy bluegrass, dancers, and children’s games.	www.visitshenandoah.com 800-999-4714
September 3 9:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.	19th Annual Taste of the Mountains Main Street Festival	Main Street, Madison	Experience Madison County arts, crafts, food, history, music, pony rides, and more!	www.Madison-va.com 540-948-4455
September 17	12th Annual Apple Butter Celebration	Skyland Resort, mile 41.7 on Skyline Drive	Join us for the age-old tradition of apple butter boiling.	www.visitshenandoah.com 540-999-4714
September 24, 25	Rappahannock County Farm Tour	Link Community Center, Sperryville	Explore the advantages of buying locally grown farm products during this self-guided tour.	www.farmtour.visitrappahannockva.com 540-675-5330 or 3153
October 8, 9	Virginia Fall Foliage Art Show	Downtown Waynesboro	This 40th annual outdoor fine art exhibition features 150 artists in all media on the streets of Waynesboro.	www.SVACart.com 540-466-0850
October 8, 9, 15, 16, 22, 23	Apple Harvest Festival	Graves Mountain Lodge, Syria	The Apple Harvest Festival is a free, beautiful, fun day in the mountains for the whole family.	www.gravesmountain.com 540-923-4231
October 9	Taste of Culpeper, sponsored by Culpeper Renaissance	The Depot in Downtown Culpeper	Tempt your palate at the “Taste of Culpeper” featuring the very best of the region’s unique restaurants, caterers, wineries, and artists.	www.culpeperdowntown.com 540-825-4416
October 14, 15, 16; 11:00 a.m.-6:00 p.m.	Fall Harvest & Leaf Peep Festival	DuCard Vineyards, Madison	After your hike to Whiteoak Canyon or Old Rag, join us for music, local foods, and an opportunity to better understand viticulture and agriculture.	www.ducardvineyards.com 540-923-4206

Celebrating 75 Years

We're celebrating milestones of the past, and building coalitions for the future. Join us for both!

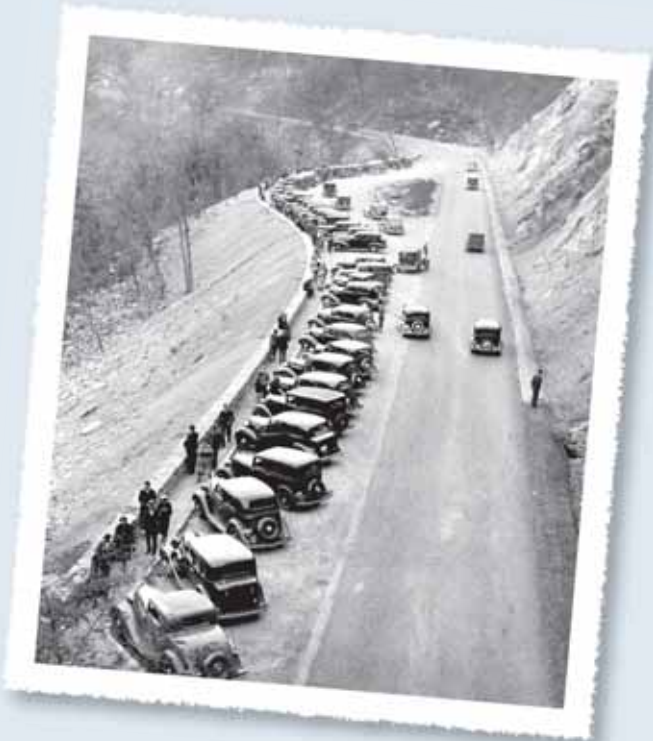


Celebrate ...the vision realized

Scenery is going to be Virginia's next cash crop!
– William Carson, 1932

In the early 1920s a group of Shenandoah Valley businessmen had a vision for the future. The establishment of a national park in Virginia's Blue Ridge Mountains was the hallmark of that vision. They believed a national park so close to urban areas would be a tremendous draw, bringing tourists' dollars to the Commonwealth while preserving the natural beauty of the area. In the decades since the park's 1935 establishment, millions of visitors have passed through its gates to enjoy the beauty and recreation Shenandoah offers. And, just as those visionaries predicted, tourism is a major industry in the region, pumping millions of dollars into local economies.

(right) Skyline Drive's popularity was immediate, even in 1935, before paving and landscaping were complete.



Reflect ...on our evolving purpose

Making the most of the accomplishments of those long-ago visionaries has taken on new meaning in the ensuing 75 years. Shenandoah's promises to its nation include preserving its resources so that they pass, unimpaired, to the next generation. Who could have predicted the challenges that promise brings? Understanding Shenandoah's varied resources is a complex undertaking. Over the decades, Shenandoah has committed to a scientific approach to stewardship, implementing programs to identify, monitor, and care for the resources it is responsible for.

(left) A continued commitment to a scientific approach to stewardship will give us the ability to respond to emerging threats like climate change, insects and diseases that threaten our forests and animals, and the effects of air and water pollution.



Look Ahead ...to forever

What will the next 75 years bring and how will Shenandoah respond? Building partnerships and inspiring stewardship will be vital. Just as those long-ago visionaries answered a call to action for the establishment of Shenandoah National Park, the American people will provide the innovation, creativity, and support for Shenandoah's future. The resources we protect include the values that Shenandoah's visitors seek—solitude; clear, dark night skies; pure soundscapes; and views unaffected by human use. Protecting these requires the commitment of many—neighbors, business and industry, as well as park staff. Strong alliances with park neighbors will allow us to meet the future with economically and environmentally sound strategies. Continued collaboration with universities and other agencies will strengthen our understanding of the science of preservation.

(right) Inspiring young people to love their national parks and understand their importance will help prepare them to become the next generation of stewards.

MILESTONES in Shenandoah

1920s	Appalachian Trail is built; 101 miles in the proposed Shenandoah National Park.
1930s	First Civilian Conservation Corps camp in a national park is established in Shenandoah National Park.
1940s	First facilities for African Americans open; later SNP becomes first desegregated public facility in Virginia.
1950s	Shenandoah National Park Association founded to increase understanding and stewardship.
1960s	Rapidan Camp, presidential retreat within Shenandoah National Park, is designated a National Historic Landmark.
1970s	40% of Shenandoah National Park becomes federally designated Wilderness.
1980s	Shenandoah National Park establishes comprehensive resource inventory, monitoring, and protection program.
1990s	Skyline Drive Historic District is listed on the National Registry of Historic Places.
2000s	Realizing the vision of the early park promoters, Shenandoah National Park helps make "scenery Virginia's cash crop," bringing millions into the local economies.

Visitor Services: May 28 - September 5

Fall schedule will be available in the *Fall Overlook* (September) and at www.nps.gov/shen

- > **Lodging Reservations:** Online www.visitshenandoah.com or (800) 999-4714
- > **Campground Reservations:** Online www.recreation.gov or (877) 444-6777

Dickey Ridge Visitor Center (mile 4.6)

8:30 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. (Daily)
Open until 6:00 p.m. on Friday/Saturday from July 1 - September 3
Information, exhibits, orientation movie, park store, picnic grounds

Mathews Arm Campground (mile 22.2)

\$15, some sites reservable, group sites available, sewage disposal, no trailer hookups

Elkwallow Wayside (milepost 24)

Grill and carry-out, groceries, gas, camping supplies, gift shop, picnic grounds
9:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m. (Daily)

Skyland Resort (miles 41.7 and 42.5)

Front Desk: (540) 999-2212 (not for reservations)
Dining room, lodging varying from traditional rooms to historic cabins to suites, pet friendly rooms available, gift shop, programs, activities, and live entertainment

Dining Room:

Breakfast: 7:30 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.
Lunch: Noon - 2:00 p.m.
Dinner: 5:30 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.

Taproom: 2:00 p.m. - 11:00 p.m. (Food service ends & last call at 10:30 p.m.)

Gift Shop: 8:00 a.m. - 10:00 p.m.

Stables: Call 540-999-2212 for reservations
2.5 hour rides: 8:45 a.m. (Daily)
1 hour rides: 9:00 a.m., 11:00 a.m., 1:00 p.m., 3:00 p.m.,
5:00 p.m., 7:00 p.m. (May 27–August 20),
7:30 p.m. (August 21–September 5)

Big Meadows (milepost 51)

Byrd Visitor Center:

8:30 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. (Monday-Thursday)
8:30 a.m. - 6:00 (Friday/Saturday/Sunday)
Information, exhibits, ranger programs, movies, park store

Wayside

Restaurant and carry-out, gift shop, groceries, camping supplies, gas
8:00 a.m. - 8:00 p.m. (Daily)

Big Meadows Lodge

Front Desk: (540) 999-2222 (not for reservations)
Historic dining room, taproom, live entertainment, gift shop, pet friendly rooms available, lodging includes historic main lodge rooms, rustic cabins, and modern suites

Dining Room:

Breakfast: 7:30 a.m. - 10:00 a.m.
Lunch: Noon - 2:00 p.m.
Dinner: 5:30 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.

Taproom: 4:00 p.m. - 11:00 p.m. (Monday-Friday)*
2:00 p.m. - 11:00 p.m. (Saturday, Sunday)*
*Food service ends and last call at 10:30 p.m.

Gift Shop: 8:00 a.m. - 9:00 p.m.

Campground: \$20, most sites reservable, group sites available, sewage disposal, no trailer hookups

Showers/Laundry/Woodyard:

7:30 a.m. - 8:00 p.m. (Daily)
Wood and ice available at Wayside when attendant not on duty

Lewis Mountain (mile 57.6)

Cabins: covered patios, picnic tables and grills, pet friendly, secluded forest setting

Campstore: groceries, camping supplies, gifts, wood, ice, showers/laundry
9:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m. (Monday - Thursday)
9:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m. (Friday/Saturday/Sunday)

Campground: \$15, first-come, first-served, no trailer hookups

Loft Mountain (mile 79.5)

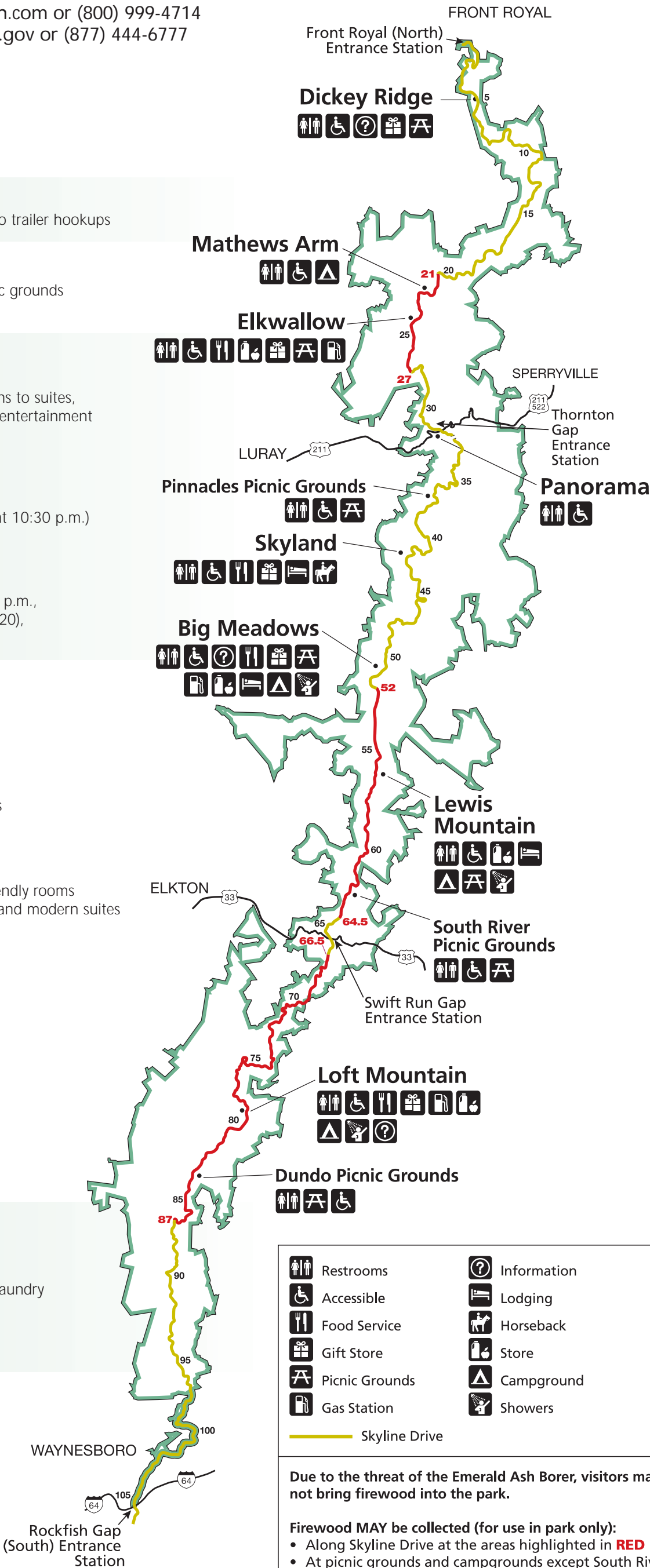
Wayside: restaurant, gift shop, gas
9:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m. (Sunday-Thursday)
8:00 a.m. - 8:00 p.m. (Friday/Saturday)

Campstore: groceries, camping supplies, wood, ice
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7:30 a.m. - 8:00 p.m (Daily)



ARAMARK Presents... Family Activities and Events!

Continuing a tradition set by George Freeman Pollock, proprietor of a resort at Skyland long before the park was established, ARAMARK, the official concessioner, offers a variety of activities and events for visitors. A few are highlighted here. For details, pick up a Calendar of Events brochure at restaurants, lodges, and visitor centers.



Tea With the First Ladies
Journey through the history of two of America's most spirited women, Lou Hoover and Eleanor Roosevelt. Historian Babs Bodin, former director of the Museum of American Presidents, presents an informative narrative while desserts from the First Ladies' favorite recipes and a variety of teas are served.



Summerfest
Summer in Shenandoah is the perfect time for a day of singers, dancers, old-fashioned games, and historic "Cake Walks." Local artisans will be on hand to showcase their talents and unique products. Summerfest means fun, food, and entertainment for the whole family. Admission is free.



Culinary Events
The Shenandoah Seasonings Culinary Events are an experience for your senses! Shenandoah's Executive Chef and area vintners will lead guests through a delectable 4-course menu of mouth-watering items paired with wines. And our weekly wine tastings are a fun way to relax and sample some lovely Virginia wines.



Blackberry Delight
Those who lived in what is now Shenandoah National Park picked the berries and made jams and jellies from them much as we still do today. Big Meadows Wayside staff will be using blackberries in all kinds of foods such as pulled pork with a blackberry BBQ sauce, cobbler, jellies and syrup, and home-made blackberry ice cream. There'll be dulcimer and bluegrass music, cloggers, craft vendors and activities. A great way to spend the day with the whole family! Admission is free.



Pick up a copy of ARAMARK's *Calendar of Events* for a complete list of activities, dates, and times or visit www.visitshenandoah.com

Shenandoah National Park Association

The Shenandoah National Park Association (SNPA) wants to help you enjoy your visit—especially this year with the 75th Celebration! Stop at our Park Stores (Dickey Ridge Visitor Center mile 4.6 and Byrd Visitor Center, milepost 51) for great hiking and nature guides, books about the park and its history, maps, children's activity guides and books, and much, much more!



Shenandoah National Park Association
3655 U.S. Highway 211 East
Luray, Virginia 22835
Online Park Store: www.snpbooks.org

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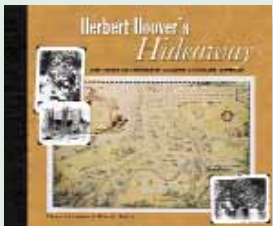
Shenandoah National Park Official Handbook, featuring over 175 historic and contemporary photographs



Wildflowers of Shenandoah National Park, first-ever wildflower guide exclusively for Shenandoah by Ann and Rob Simpson



2012 Shenandoah National Park Calendar, beautiful photos of Shenandoah all year long!



Herbert Hoover's Hideaway: The Story of President Hoover's Summer Retreat, revised with new photos and updated information

Celebrate the 75th!









Ranger Programs: May 28 to September 5








Fall schedule will be available in the *Fall Overlook* (September) and at www.nps.gov/shen

► The regular Ranger Programs Schedule is suspended during Shenandoah’s Rededication Celebration on Saturday, June 25.

► Programs will be canceled in the event of lightning or other severe weather. Pets are not allowed on programs.

North District (Dickey Ridge, Elkwallow, Mathews Arm)		SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
Terrace Talk - Spend 10 minutes learning about a special feature of Shenandoah National Park. <i>Dickey Ridge Visitor Center (mile 4.6).</i>		Check at the Information Desk for talk schedule.						
Wild About Bears - Learn about Shenandoah's largest mammal during this 20-minute talk. <i>Elkwallow Wayside (milepost 24).</i>								1:00 p.m.
Discovery Walk - Discover the plants and animals that make Shenandoah a special place. 1 hour. <i>Meet at Mathews Arm Campground Amphitheater (mile 22.2).</i>								3:00 p.m.
Celebrate Shenandoah National Park - Consider the treasures that make Shenandoah special as we celebrate our 75th Anniversary during this 20-minute talk. <i>Mathews Arm Campground Amphitheater (mile 22.2).</i>								5:00 p.m.
Evening Hike - Explore the forest as day turns into night. 1 hour. <i>Meet at Mathews Arm Campground Amphitheater Parking Area (mile 22.2).</i>								7:00 p.m.

Skyland (miles 41.7 and 42.5)		SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
Ancient Volcano - Imagine fiery lava and rivers of molten rock in Shenandoah National Park! Walk along the remains of an ancient volcanic rift. 2 miles. 2 hours. <i>Meet at Timber Hollow Overlook (mile 43.3).</i>		10:00 a.m.		10:00 a.m.			2:30 p.m.	
Stony Man Hike - Hike to the park's second-tallest peak to hear Stony Man's stories. Wear sturdy shoes and bring water. 1.6 miles. 2 hours. <i>Meet at Stony Man Trailhead (mile 41.7, the north entrance to Skyland Resort).</i>			10:00 a.m.		2:30 p.m.			
Discovery Walk - Discover the plants and animals that make Shenandoah a special place. 1 hour. <i>Meet at Skyland Amphitheater.</i>					11:00 a.m.			2:00 p.m.
Wild About Bears - Learn about Shenandoah's largest mammal during this 20-minute talk. <i>Skyland Amphitheater.</i>			2:00 p.m.		10:00 a.m.			
Celebrate Shenandoah National Park - Consider the treasures that make Shenandoah special as we celebrate our 75th Anniversary during this 20-minute talk. <i>Skyland Amphitheater.</i>		2:00 p.m.		2:00 p.m.		2:00 p.m.		
Junior Ranger Program - Investigate the mysteries of Shenandoah through fun and educational activities. Ages 7-12. Adult must accompany child. 1.5 hours. <i>Meet at Skyland Conference Hall (lower road).</i>				3:00 p.m.				
Historic Massanutten Lodge Celebrates 100 Years - Discover the stories of early Skyland Resort as you tour the restored bungalow of Addie Pollock. 1 hour. <i>Meet at Skyland Conference Hall (lower road).</i>		4:00 p.m.	4:00 p.m.			4:00 p.m.		4:00 p.m.
Evening Hike - Explore the mountain as day turns into night. Wear sturdy shoes and bring water. 1.6 miles. 2 hours. <i>Meet at Stony Man Trailhead (mile 41.7, the north entrance to Skyland Resort).</i>		7:00 p.m.					7:00 p.m.	
Campfire Program - Join a Ranger for this National Park Service tradition. Dress for cool mountain nights. 45 minutes. <i>Skyland Amphitheater.</i>						8:30 p.m.		8:30 p.m.

Big Meadows (milepost 51)		SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
Terrace Talk - Spend 10 minutes learning about a special feature of the park. <i>Byrd Visitor Center.</i>		Check at the Information Desk for talk schedule.						
Historic Rapidan Camp - Travel by bus 30 minutes to President Hoover's summer retreat. Visit the refurbished President's cabin. 3 hours. 12-person limit. <i>Reserve by phone (540-999-3500, ext. 3283) or in person at Byrd Visitor Center. Meet at Byrd Visitor Center.</i>		9:00 a.m. and 1:30 p.m.	9:00 a.m.	1:30 p.m.	1:30 p.m.			9:00 a.m. and 1:30 p.m.
Wild About Bears - Learn about Shenandoah's largest mammal during this 20-minute talk. <i>Byrd Visitor Center.</i>		10:00 a.m.			10:00 a.m.			
Birds of Prey - Meet live raptors and learn about their vital role in the ecosystem. 1 hour. <i>Big Meadows Amphitheater, in picnic grounds.</i>			10:00 a.m.					10:00 a.m.
Kids’ Corner - Get to know Shenandoah through a short activity. Ages 6 and under. Adult must accompany child. 30 minutes. <i>Meet at Byrd Visitor Center.</i>						11:00 a.m.		11:00 a.m.
Appalachian Trail Hike - Experience this legendary mountain trail on a gentle hike. Wear sturdy shoes and bring water. 2 miles. 2 hours. <i>Meet at Milam Gap Parking Area (mile 52.8).</i>					10:00 a.m.			2:00 p.m.
Junior Ranger Program - Investigate the mysteries of Shenandoah through fun and educational activities. Ages 7-12. Adult must accompany child. 1.5 hours. <i>Meet at Byrd Visitor Center.</i>		2:00 p.m.			2:00 p.m.			
Meadow Walk - Discover the wonders of a rare high-elevation wetland meadow on a gentle walk. 1 mile. 1.5 hours. <i>Meet at Byrd Visitor Center.</i>		3:00 p.m.					3:00 p.m.	
Hawksbill Mountain Hike - Explore a high-elevation forest on the way to the summit of Shenandoah's tallest mountain. Wear sturdy shoes and bring water. 2.1 miles. 2 hours. <i>Meet at Upper Hawksbill Parking Area (mile 46.7).</i>			2:00 p.m.			2:00 p.m.		
Discovery Walk - Discover the plants and animals that make Shenandoah a special place. 1 hour. <i>Meet at Byrd Visitor Center.</i>				3:00 p.m.			10:00 a.m.	
Celebrate Shenandoah National Park - Consider the treasures that make Shenandoah special as we celebrate our 75th Anniversary during this 20-minute talk. <i>Byrd Visitor Center.</i>			3:00 p.m.			3:00 p.m.		3:00 p.m.
CCC Walk - Celebrate the Civilian Conservation Corps legacy on this walk to a CCC-era structure. 1.2 miles. 1.5 hours. <i>Meet at Upper Hawksbill Parking Area (mile 46.7).</i>					3:00 p.m.			3:00 p.m.
Evening Hike - Explore the meadow as day turns into night. 1 hour. <i>Meet at Byrd Visitor Center.</i>				7:30 p.m.		7:30 p.m.		
Campfire Program - Join a Ranger for this National Park Service tradition. Dress for cool mountain nights. 45 minutes. <i>Big Meadows Amphitheater, in picnic grounds.</i>		8:30 p.m.					8:30 p.m.	8:30 p.m.

Loft Mountain (mile 79.5)		SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
Wild About Bears - Learn about Shenandoah's largest mammal during this 20-minute talk. <i>Loft Mountain Wayside.</i>								3:00 p.m.
Discovery Walk - Discover the plants and animals that make Shenandoah a special place. 1 hour. <i>Meet at Loft Mountain Wayside.</i>								4:00 p.m.
Campfire Program - Join a Ranger for this National Park Service tradition. Dress for cool mountain nights. 45 minutes. <i>Loft Mountain Amphitheater, near campground.</i>								8:30 p.m.